

MORONGO BASIN TRANSIT AUTHORITY

**REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Thursday, June 25, 2020 5:00PM  
Morongo Basin Transit Center  
62405 Verbena Road  
Joshua Tree, CA 92252

**ZOOM Meeting ID 960 4578 7046**  
**ZOOM Password 195342**

**ACTION MINUTES**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Drozd called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

**ROLL CALL** - On call of the roll the following Board Members were present:  
Merl Abel, Ellen Jackman, Mark Lundquist, Karmollette O’Gilvie, Ben Sasnett, McArthur Wright and Jeff Drozd.

**2.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

NONE

**3.0 CLOSED SESSION**

3.1 General Manager Evaluation

3.2 Procurement Director Evaluation

Chairman Drozd reported that they both had great evaluations and the Board appreciated them. Board Member Jackman thanked them for their hard work.

**4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**5.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

5.1 Minutes of the May 28, 2020 Board Meeting

5.2 Treasurer’s Report for April 2020

5.3 Warrant Register through May 31, 2020

5.4 Ridership Reports

5.5 Financial Reports

5.6 Administration Report

## 5.7 Operations Report

**ACTION:** Board Member Abel moved to approve the Consent Calendar (items 5.1 - 5.7); seconded by Chairman Lundquist: passed by Roll Call Vote (7-0).

## 6.0 ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSIONS AND/OR PARTICIPATION AND/OR ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

## 7.0 OLD BUSINESS

NONE

## 8.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 8.1 IFB 20-01 Bus Stop Improvement Project

Mark Goodale, General Manager, provided the details to improve the bus stop in Yucca Valley on Dumosa Ave and the bus stop in Twentynine Palms on Adobe & Indian.

**ACTION:** Board Member Sasnett moved to approve IFB 20-01, Authorize Staff to Proceed with Solicitation and Award to Lowest Responsible Bidder; seconded by Chairman Drozd: passed by Roll Call Vote (7-0).

### 8.2 Approval FY 2020/21 MBTA Operating and Capital Budgets

Mark Goodale noted the only change from the FY 2020/21 draft budget presented the month before was the increase in Workers Comp.

Board Member Jackman requested clarification of the Cares ACT bullet point. Mark Goodale explained that the Cares ACT was to assist transit agencies and be used as a supplement to help cover Covid-19 losses such as fare revenues and expenses. This means MBTA could not use these funds to free up other revenues, such as LTF to go towards streets and roads.

**ACTION:** Board Member Wright moved to approve FY 2020/21 MBTA Operating and Capital Budgets; seconded by Board Member Lundquist: passed by Roll Call Vote (7-0).

## 9.0 GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE

Mark Goodale discussed the CTA Covid Task Force and their relief efforts like not being penalized for not meeting the Farebox Recovery temporarily. He also talked about bus reflective vests and driver barriers being put into place.

## 10.0 FUTURE BOARD INITIATED AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

## **11.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board Member Wright asked if MBTA had someone maintaining the shelters. Mark Goodale responded affirmatively but that it had been scaled back to increase sanitation in the buses. In addition, he just submitted a Purchase Order for retrofit kits and would be hiring old staff to go through every single shelter for repairs.

Board Member Wright felt everyone at MBTA was doing a fantastic job. And to all the Board Members, he said it was a pleasure being on the Board with them.

Board Member Jackman was looking forward to meeting in person again.

## **12.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:36pm Thursday, June 25, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Cheri Holsclaw, Asst. Board Secretary